Statement

Names and Location of Mills of NTC in Gujarat

S. No.	Name of the Mills	Location
	NTC (Guj.) Ltd.	
1	Rajkot Textile Mills	Rajkot
2	Mahalaxmi Textile Mills	Bhavnagar
3	Petlad Textile Mills	Petlad
4	Ahmedabad New Textile Mills	Ahmedabad
5	Ahmedabad Jupiter Textile Mills	Ahmedabad
6	Jehangir Textile Mills	Ahmedabad
7	Rajnagar Textile Mills No. 1	Ahmedabad
8	Rajnagar Textile Mills No. 2	Ahmedabad
9	Viramgam Textile Mills	Viramgam
10	New Manakchowk Textile Mills	Ahmedabad
11	Himadri Textile Mills	Ahmedabad
12	Fine Knitting Mills (not restarted Since Nationalisation)	Ahmedabad

Welfare Schemes for Handloom Workers

2041. SHRI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved many schemes for the welfare of handloom workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these schemes are applicable both in urban and rural areas;

(d) what is the stage of consideration/ implementation thereof; and

(e) the number of beneficiaries identified in Gujarat under this scheme, alongwith the district-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government of India is implementing the following Schemes for the welfare of handloom weavers:

1. Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme;
2. Group Insurance Scheme;
3. Thrift Fund Scheme;
4. Health Package Scheme.

(c) All the welfare schemes are applicable for both Urban and Rural areas.

(d) Workshed-cum-Housing and Thrift Fund Scheme are under implementation from VII Plan. They have been modified from 1991-92. The Group Insurance Scheme and Health Package Scheme have been introduced from 1992-93.

(e) Assistance has been released for the following number of beneficiaries identified in Gujarat during 1993-94 and 1994-95 under the following welfare schemes:

	No. of beneficiaries identified	
	1993-94	1994-95
1. Thrift Fund Scheme	957	..
2. Health Package Scheme	..	1900

District-wise details are maintained at the State Level. Government of India releases money to the State Government on the basis of proposals received for the State as a whole.

Increase in Export Quota of Madhya Pradesh for powerloom Cloth Export

2042. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the export quota of Madhya Pradesh for export of powerloom cloth;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VANKAT SWAMY): (a) Export quota for textiles are not fixed on a state-wise basis.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Setting up of Jute Mills in Punjab

2043. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Jute Mills in the country particularly in Punjab during 1994-95;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise/District-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what effective measures Government propose to take for setting up more such mills during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present there are enough capacity with existing jute mills in the country for manufacturing of traditional jute packaging materials both to meet export demand and for internal consumption.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Action Plan for Modernisation of Cotton Industry

2044. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to State:

(a) whether Government have formulated any action plan for modernisation of cotton industry to improve the quality of fibre; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, by when the action plan is likely to be formulated in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) The government has drawn up an action plan for the improvement in ginning and pressing industry. The Cotton Corporation of India is the nodal agency to oversee the implementation of the Action Plan. A long-term programme of education, training of management practices, preparation of maintenace manuals is to be taken up in this direction. Similarly, installation of preumatic succession system for conveying kapas through heaps to gin has been contemplated and a few ginneries in the country has been identified for modernisation. This would help cotton industry to improve efficiency and the qualtiy of product.